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- **Paraskevidekatriaphobia—Fear of Friday the 13th.**
- **Most Americans will deny being superstitious. The will, however, admit that they would rather not start a new job or important undertaking on Friday the 13th.**
- **Most can offer no logical explanation as to why the day is unlucky.**

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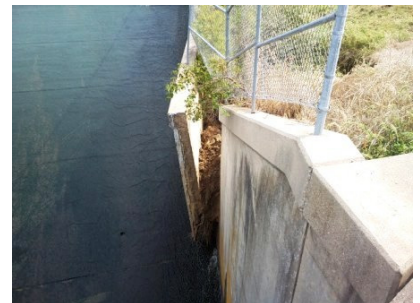
Spillway Repair Project

A pre-construction meeting for Phase II of the Spillway Repair project was held last week. Korte & Luitjohan Contractors of Highland were awarded the project based on Director Gillespie's recommendation to Council at their meeting on April 4th. Their bid, in the amount of \$89,840, was the lowest of the five bids that were received.

The final documentation for the project is being submitted, and with Mother Nature's assistance the project could be underway within the next 30 days. Without the assistance of Mother Nature the level of the lake may need to be lowered slightly using the low level outlet.

Once construction begins, the project should take about

four weeks to complete. Route 143 across the dam will remain open during the project.



Retaining wall damage discovered in September.

MFT Bid Opening

On Wednesday, May 11 the MFT materials bids were opened at City Hall. Bids were received from five bidders who were bidding on items that include a variety of aggregates and emulsions as well as delivery and application.

Recommendations for contract awards will be presented to council at the next meeting.

MFT (Motor Fuel Tax) are funds the city receives from the Illinois Department of Transportation. The tax is

imposed on the privilege of operating motor vehicles on public highways and recreational watercraft on waterways in Illinois. It is paid by distributors and suppliers who collect the tax from their customers. Revenues collected from this tax help, in part to build and maintain roads and highways.

The motor fuel tax rates are 19 cents per gallon on motor fuel and 21.5 cents per gallon on diesel fuel. The city receives an allotment of MFT funds each year. These funds

are to be used for roadway maintenance.

We spend the funds on things such as salt for snow control and the oil and chip used in summer road repairs.

The salt, while paid from MFT funds, was not a part of this bidding process. The City purchases salt along with Madison County and a number of other municipalities as part of a joint purchasing process. Madison County handles that bid process.